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1. The Krasnokamsk Power Plant (TELs) lies 1,200 to 1,500 m west of the Kama River, on the main road which runs in a north-south direction and divides the town in half. Krasnokamsk (53-05N, 55-36E) is near Molotov and about 520 km east by north-east from Kazan.

History

2. This is a comparatively new plant, probably started in the 1940's. Construction was probably underway during the war. The old turbine building was just finished and equipped after 1945. [REDACTED] the construction of the new turbine building was still going on, and the assembling of the turbines had begun. There are apparently no plans for other buildings. Informant assumes the equipment was installed [REDACTED] and that the new turbines are in operation. 25X1A 25X1A
3. Management of construction and of the plant is in the hands of a civilian director of Jewish birth. Commissions composed partly of military persons inspect the plant at infrequent intervals.

Equipment

4. Technical equipment is modern German machinery, apparently either from a dismantled German power plant or new reparations deliveries. A mechanical hauling device or forwarding belt leads from the coal bunker into the boiler installations. The generator destined for the new boiler installation is an AEG product.

Installations

5. A description of the various installations follows:

- a. The old power installation, a building about 120 x 45 m and 45 m high, contains large boilers for operation of the steam-turbines and for hot water and production of steam by-products which are connected with the production of the large cellulose-paper factory in the next town (about 1 km. south of the power plant). Steam and hot water are piped in special conduits into the paper factory buildings. The steam and

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hot water pipe lines also extend into the town. The steam pipe lines have a diameter of approximately 1m. The switch installations are located in the old power installation. There is a high stone smoke stack.

- b. The new power installation, about 120 x 35 m and 30 m. high, lies only a few meters north of the old power installation. [redacted] construction of the new building was about complete, and the installation of machine units was begun. A large AMG unit was to be installed.
- c. The open transformer installation lies in the southwest corner of the area and occupies a space about 60 x 30 m.
- d. The garage, which measures approximately 40 x 6 m, is located near the entrance on the north side of the installation area. There is space for 10 to 15 trucks. Adjoining the garage to the west is a storage area for building materials and boxes of new installation equipment.
- e. Various shops are located in small auxiliary buildings, including the forge, which lies north of the new power building, and the machine shop, which lies in the eastern part of the installation area.
- f. Coal bunkers are northwest of the installation area. Coal cars are unloaded by means of moveable bridge-crane equipment. The coal is conveyed from the bins to the boiler installations by means of a forwarding-belt device.

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#### Production

6. Informant is unable to give the capacity of the turbine generators. [redacted] were engaged in foundation and construction work [redacted] A large part of the current is transmitted to the paper-cellulose factory (reportedly the second largest factory of its kind in European Russia). The power plant also supplies the town of Krasnokamsk with electricity. In addition, the plant supplies the paper factory with steam and hot water.

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#### Transportation

7. A spur leads from the coal bunkers to the main line. Shunting is done by locomotives belonging to the Government-operated railroad.

#### Personnel

8. The construction crew [redacted] about 120 in number. There were 30 specialists. [redacted] 8 to 12 hours on single-shift projects.

#### Security

9. Factory guard consists of militia in blue uniforms. Guard duty and gate control are carried out by installation employees. Guard duty is strict. The watch towers within the enclosure are filled with soldiers of the militia during the day.

#### Installations near the Power Plant Area

10. Installations near the power plant area are as follows:

- a. A petroleum loading station which is located about 300 m. northeast of the power plant. Oil fields in the outlying environs of Krasnokamsk have been partially exploited. Numerous new drilling towers are rising. A conduit for petroleum leads to the petroleum loading station where tank cars are filled for petroleum shipments.
- b. A large mill north of and adjacent to [redacted] The mill lies on the same road which passes the power plant area and is diagonally across from the petroleum loading station.
- c. A bread bakery, south of and adjacent [redacted] also lies on the road which passes the power plant area.

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